Section 8 Rental Assistance Program

Services Available without Visiting the Housing Office

The City of Carlsbad has temporarily suspended all in-person services in response to the <u>San Diego</u> <u>County public health order</u> to slow the spread of COVID-19. During this time, Housing Services staff will modify how we deliver our Section 8 Rental Assistance services. Fortunately, many of our services can be provided on-line, by email, or over the phone. Until further notice, the following practices will be followed:

- **Annual Inspections** All annual inspections will be cancelled effective March 16 and until further notice.
- Emergency Inspections if you have a need for an emergency inspection for life threatening deficiencies, contact your Housing Specialist immediately by phone if you believe there is a problem in your unit that requires an emergency inspection. If you leave a voice mail, be specific as to the item or items that are of concern so that your call can be prioritized.
- **Initial Inspections** Initial inspections will be conducted if the unit is vacant, and the door is unlocked.
- **Annual Recertifications** Documents can be sent by US Mail or placed in the drop box outside of the Housing office.
- Interim Recertifications If you have an income or household change, please print the Change Report form on the website, complete it and mail, fax, or e-mail it to your Housing Representative. You may also contact your Housing Specialist by phone to request that the form be mailed to you. Please be sure that all forms requiring signatures have been signed.
- Moving to a New Unit Contact your assigned Housing Specialist by phone, e-mail or mail.
- Waiting List Questions from applicants regarding the waiting list can be submitted in writing, by e-mail or by phone by contacting 760-434-2911. You may request that a Waiting List Update form be mailed to you by calling 760-434-2911, e-mailing Lindsay.durmer@carlsbadca.gov or writing to us at the address below.
- **General Questions from Program Participants with an Active Voucher** Please call, mail or email your Housing Representative.
- **Applicants Porting In** please contact Lindsay Durmer at 760-434-2911 or Lindsay.Durmer@carlsbadca.gov by email at or mail at the address below.
- **Housing Assistance Payments** will be made as usual. We do not anticipate any payment interruptions.

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